

Thackston, John B.

**MARINE BALLPLAYER**

Pvt. John B. Thackston, U. S. Marine Corps, will be back in harness as a top-notch baseball player this Summer as a member of the Marine Corps team at Parris Island, N. C. Thackston was catcher on the State championship team of the Harry F. W. Johnson Legion Junior nine in 1938 when Joe Connell was mentor, and he'll hold down the same spot for the Leathernecks. Last Summer he played with the Lancaster Roses.

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Johnny is a bit disappointed, 'tis said, that he was not shipped out to New River with his platoon, but he's doing his bit on the morale end of the war game.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank T. Thackston, 919 Center st., and has recently spent a seven-day furlough with his family here.

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